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\$20 fee per tour includes dinner!

Forum for Rural Innovation **Twilight Tours**

As a follow-up to the highly successful Forums for Rural Innovation (held in March 2005 and 2006), we are offering Twilight Tours for three of Loudoun's innovative farm operations:

Endless Summer Harvest—June 8

Loudoun Nursery—July 13

Great Country Farms—September 14

Each tour starts promptly at 5:00 pm, followed by a twilight dinner featuring locally produced meats. Pre-registration and payment two weeks prior to each tour each requested.

For more information call 703-777-0426 or visit www.LoudounFarms.org.

Endless Summer Harvest Thursday, June 8th, 2006 - 5:00 pm

Come see 6,000 square feet of controlled environment under plastic, and a new greenhouse under construction. Endless Summer Harvest uses hydroponic technology to produce pesticide free specialty lettuce,



gourmet greens, and culinary herbs. Tour the complete hydroponic process, and learn the marketing techniques that create a growing niche market demand. The specialty greens will be featured as part of the tour meal. "Lettuce" show you the future of agriculture!

Directions: From Rt. 7 take the Purcellville-Round Hill Business 7 exit. Head toward Purcellville 0.6 miles to Bell Road (Rt. 720); turn left and follow Bell 0.5 miles to Osburn Rd., turn right and follow Osburn 0.5 miles to farm on the left. 36474 Osburn Road.

Loudoun Nursery Thursday, July 13, 2006 - 5:00 pm

Owned and operated by Louis Nichols, this 175 acre farm features 40 acres of Christmas trees and 5 acres of intensive container pro-



Evergreen, Shade & Flowering Trees. Container Grown in Loudoun County

duction of trees. Learn about ornamental and flowering shade tree production, and innovative techniques to shorten growing time. See the machines, tools, and deer fence utilized in this "one man operation." Listen to expert marketing ideas after enjoying a delicious Loudoun dinner!

Directions: From Rt. 7 W. take the Purcellville-Lovettsville Exit (Rt. 287) toward Purcellville, go short distance to right on Hirst Road; follow to right on Rt. 690 (Hillsboro Road); left on Rt. 711 (Allder School Road); right on Rt. 716 (Short Hill Road); 3rd driveway on left.

Great Country Farms

Thursday, September 14, 2006 - 5:00 pm

Come experience what agritourism and innovative marketing is all about. Great Country Farms hosts over 50,000 visitors each year, with a goal of offering a way for



everyone to experience farm life and enjoy the benefits of its bounty. From CSAs, weddings, pig races and parties, to farm animals, fishing, and "pumpkin chunkin," learn how this family cultivates a relationship with their customers, and then harvests the rewards. Every person in agriculture will gain ideas and have fun on this tour! Directions: From Rt. 7, take Rt. 760 (Clayton Hall Road) into Bluemont. Take a left on Rt. 734 (Snickersville Turnpike), then turn right on Foggy Bottom Road. Great Country is the first farm on the left, 18780 Foggy Bottom Road.

Endless Summer Harvest

Take this opportunity to visit these innovative operations to learn and see production!



Loudoun Nurser



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Great Country Farms

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